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## THE WAR.

### LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

#### THE GREAT OFFENSIVE.

#### 100,000 GERMAN CASUALTIES IN EIGHT DAYS.

PARIS, April 17.  
It is semi-officially stated that the  
Germans have missed at least 20  
divisions and all their available bat-  
teries on the Soissons-Rheims front.  
Our advance has reached a depth  
of between three and four kilometres  
at certain points.

Altogether, the Allies have placed  
hors-de-combat 100,000 Germans in  
eight days.

[Twenty German divisions represent  
about a quarter of a million troops.]

#### SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S LATEST REPORT.

LONDON, April 17.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—

In the neighbourhood of Ephe-  
sy we captured Tombois Farm, on the  
Lempire-Venhuille Road.

We progressed along the spur to  
the north-east of Ephezy station and  
took a few prisoners.

The weather is stormy.

#### THE GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACKS. COSTLY FAILURES.

LONDON, April 17.

Reuter's Correspondent at Head-  
quarters states that when the  
Germans make up their minds to  
cease attacking at Monchy-le-Preaux,  
their casualties will amount to an  
appalling total. The line is still  
strong upon them, despite the most  
costly failures. The prisoners state  
that if the attack in which they were  
captured proved unsuccessful, other  
attempts would be made. We have  
no need to complain of the enemy  
continuing to give us opportunities  
to punish him.

The heaviest and most determined  
German effort to retake the key to  
the position was made on April 14  
at Roex, lying on the north bank  
of the Scarpe and two miles from  
Monchy. It harboured many Ger-  
man batteries which were able to  
sweep the intervening valley. The  
country is most favourable to open  
fighting and affords good cover for  
the concentration of troops. Sart  
Wood lies to the north and Vert  
Wood to the south-east, at no great  
distance. We lay along this ground  
on April 14 with the other forces to  
the northward of Monchy, preparing  
a nut cracker advance. The Hun  
could not have timed their effort to  
retake the village more opportunely,  
which was at the very moment we  
were ready to advance. The Ger-  
mans massing in the two woods were  
hotly bombarded, and the enemy  
advances from the south was beaten  
back before they were within 150  
yards of our position. The Hun  
emerging from Vert and Sart Woods  
were caught by the bombardment,  
and shells tore their ranks most  
devastatingly. Subsequently it was  
learned that with picked troops they  
gained our front trenches before the  
village after fierce hand-to-hand  
fighting. The British were ordered  
to allow the Boches to enter the  
long and narrow trench, as chiefly  
as they pleased and then they were  
terribly enfiladed and they withered  
and fled in disorder.

The enemy lost 2,500 killed alone.  
One officer claims he shot 40 before  
the crowd faded.

#### GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT.

#### GREATEST BATTLE IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY.

LONDON, April 17.

A German official message, trans-  
mitted by wireless, reports:—  
One of the greatest battles in the  
world's history, is progressing on the  
Aisne. Since April 6, there has been  
artillery activity and mine-throwing  
of unprecedented duration, mass and  
intensity.

Yesterday morning, the French, in  
deep column, attacked from Soupir to  
Betheny. During the afternoon the  
French threw in fresh masses, carrying  
out lateral attacks between the Oise  
and Comlesan-Aisne. The artillery ac-  
tivity continued to-day, levelling posi-  
tions and rendering an obstinate de-  
fence no longer possible. Fighting is  
no longer against the line but is over a  
deep, irregular and fortified zone.

The battle swayed backwards and  
forwards around the foremost positions,  
our object being, even if war material  
were lost, to spare the lives of our forces  
and to inflict heavy losses on the enemy.  
This was achieved, thanks to our heroic  
men.

A French attempt to break through  
failed. We inflicted sanguinary losses  
and took over 2,100 prisoners where  
the enemy penetrated.

The fighting continues and fresh  
attacks are expected.

The fighting between Prunay and  
Aube-River has developed into a battle  
line and is therefore extending on the  
Oise into the Champagne.

We have entire confidence in the  
coming heavy fighting.

#### LATEST REPORTS FROM THE FRENCH FRONT.

PARIS, April 17.

A French communiqué reports:—  
We organised the position won  
between Soissons and Rheims.

A strong German counter-attack  
on our new line, in the region of  
Ailles, was broken by our curtain fire  
and machine-gun fire, which inflicted  
heavy losses on the enemy.

Other enemy counter-attacks on  
the sector at Courcy also failed.

The weather continues to be very  
bad. There was an artillery duel on  
the sectors to the west of Auberive  
in Champagne.

Nine enemy aeroplanes were  
brought down by our anti-aircraft  
fire. Captain Guymier  
brought down his 8th enemy  
machine.

#### BRITISH AND FRENCH REPRISALS.

#### THE AIR RAID ON FREIBURG.

LONDON, April 17.

A Berlin official report states that  
23 aeroplanes attacked Freiburg in  
Breisgau, on Saturday. Eleven  
people were killed and 27 injured.  
The University was considerably  
damaged and the municipal theatre,  
institutes and infirmaries were  
attacked.

Three British aeroplanes were  
brought down. The leader of the  
attack, a British Lieut. Colonel, was  
taken prisoner.

According to his statements and  
fly-sheets thrown down by the aero-  
planes, the attack was a reprisal for  
the torpedoing of the *Gloagaster*  
Castle. The communiqué vigorously  
contests such a justification of the  
air raid, and declares that Great  
Britain must take the consequences  
of despatching Germany's warnings  
against the misuse of hospital ships.  
A revengeful attack on an open town  
in which there are no objects of  
military importance is cheap glory.

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"    Life and Annuity	2,141,698
Branches.....	
Revenue Marine Department.....	357,438
Other Receipts .....	479,940
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No. 2 Dock Kowloon	567	78 1/2 beam	10	7	5
Patent Slip, No. 1, Kowloon	327	50	10	7	5
Patent Slip, No. 2, Kowloon	327	50	10	7	5
<b>HAI-KONG-CHI</b>					
James' Floating Dock	445	50	10	7	5
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## THE MAGISTRACY.

### THEFT OF A KNIFE.

Before Mr. Melbourne yesterday a Chinese boy pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing a butcher knife from the Kennedy Town Slaughter House and was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

### IMPORTING OR EXPORTING.

An Annamite "boy" on the s.s. Hanoi was before Mr. Melbourne yesterday on a charge of attempting to import 16 bottles of dyes into the Colony without an import permit.

The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge, explaining that he had bought the dyes for \$44 at a shop in Hongkong and after taking them aboard the s.s. Hanoi remembered that he had neglected to procure an export permit. He immediately boarded a sampan, and with the dyes in his possession, started to return ashore to procure the necessary export permit. On the way, however, he was stopped by an excise officer, who discovered the dyes in his possession and took him into custody.

After hearing the evidence His Worship imposed a fine of ten dollars and ordered that the dyes be confiscated.

### ALLEGED WOUNDING OF A WIFE.

In Mr. Melbourne's Court yesterday a Chinese named Tong Hong Chan (charged on remand) pleaded not guilty to the charge of cutting and wounding one Cheung Ah Kuk, his wife, on the 10th instant, at his residence at No. 43 Hollywood Road.

Mr. Leo D'Almeida appeared as solicitor for the complainant and the defendant was represented by Mr. J. H. Gardiner.

It was stated that the defendant, who, according to the Chinese custom, lawfully married the complainant twenty years ago and subsequently went abroad, recently returned to Hongkong from Trinidad, where he had been residing for the past fifteen years, and brought with him a No. 2 wife, a native of Trinidad.

According to the evidence given by the complainant the story of the alleged assault is as follows:—Upon hearing that her husband had returned to the Colony, the complainant went to him and asked for money for maintenance. He refused to comply with her request and told her that the only thing he would give her was a halter to hang herself with. She then went to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for support, but received no satisfaction. On the 10th instant she went to her husband's residence at No. 43 Hollywood Road and demanded funds for maintenance. The defendant then went into the kitchen, procured a chopper and struck her with it, inflicting two wounds on her head and one on her wrist. She shouted "Save life," and police constable No. 607 responded to her cries, arriving on the scene in time to see the defendant in the act of striking her. He immediately intervened and conducted both the defendant and the complainant to the Police Station.

The defendant, however, deposed that the complainant came to his residence on the 10th instant and after raising a disturbance as regards money for maintenance, procured a chopper from the kitchen and cut herself with it. The defendant immediately sounded a police whistle and a loking responded and took both himself and the complainant into custody.

Further evidence was then heard and the case adjourned.

### MARY AND HER LAMB.

When Mary thinks now of her lamb, She heaves a heavy sigh; She's now a vegetarian, 'Cos prices are so high.

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## SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

March 7.

### ELECTORAL REFORM.

Broadly speaking, the report of the Speaker's Committee on Electoral Reform has now received the general assent of all Scottish politicians connected with the Unionist and Liberal parties. Our leaders in this, as in other matters, are a good deal in advance of English opinion. Of course the scheme is treated as a compromise. It may be true that in England it is thought there are substantial difficulties in the way of carrying legislation upon the lines of the report. Here in Scotland the consensus of opinion is different. The recommendations are generally regarded as affording a chance of getting certain things done now, by consent which it may never be possible to get done by agreement in normal political circumstances, and very genuine regret will be felt if it is discovered to be necessary to leave over redistribution and several of the other more outstanding suggested reforms until a time when all will have to be thrown into the cauldron of party controversy.

Appropos of Electoral Reform, a member of Parliament showed me a letter written by his son now serving in a far distant part of the Empire. The letter is brusque, even brutal, and runs:— "Really you politicians are the limit! In the midst of a great war you are taking up the old, old questions of one man one vote and one man one value. Can't the politicians see that it doesn't matter a dash on what basis you have Parliamentary representation at the next election? You are all going!"

Should it unfortunately prove impossible to pass legislation on Electoral Reform by agreement, the Government will, I understand, probably bring in a stop-gap measure dealing with registration. But several Ministers are still not without hope, notwithstanding the discouraging spirit exhibited at sectional meetings at Westminster last week; that some other of the proposals, if not the majority of them, might be passed by negotiation. In the event of the failure of any compromise, however, it is strongly felt that the Parliamentary register should receive attention at an early date. A General Election may or may not be a probability in the near future, but by-elections are of almost weekly occurrence, and it should be the aim of the Government to make certain that where contests do occur the opinions expressed at the polls are as thoroughly representative of the constituencies as an up-to-date electoral roll can secure.

### TORPEDOED BUT UNDAUNTED.

The following is from "The British Seafarer," the bright little monthly magazine of the British Seafarers' Union, and is eloquent of the failure of one of the objects of the German submarine campaign, the frightening of the men of our mercantile marine. It occurs in the Glasgow notes of the issue for March, "Practically all the survivors of the California went back to sea within a week of their return home. Some of them have been torpedoed three or four times."

### A WIFE AT THE WAR OFFICE.

In his speech on the Army estimates, Mr. Foster said that Lord Derby had invited Mr. Andrew Weir, "a man of great business experience, well known in the West of Scotland as well as in London, to aid the Department in the difficult problems of the supply service. Mr. Weir is a native of Kirkcaldy, and principal of the shipowning firm of Andrew Weir & Co., Glasgow and London. He founded the business 80 years ago, when he was only 20 years of age, with one sailing vessel, the Willowbank. Now the firm owns the Bank Line, which runs on all the oceans of the world, and has 30 steamers. It was only the other day that they sold the last of their sailing ships, the iron barque Mennoek, to Chinese merchants. Mr. Weir, according to Mr. Foster, 'proposes to make himself thoroughly familiar with the working of the various supply branches before offering any suggestions, when he has done this we shall be able to consider in consultation with him what definite functions in the official hierarchy he can best fulfil.'"

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### ROYAL ARCH MASONRY.

At a quarterly communication of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland, the Earl of Cassillis was elected First Principal; Sir Robert K. Innes, Deputy First Principal; Peter Spence, Andrew Second Principal; and Samuel Dunlop, Edinburgh, Third Principal. It was reported that the exaltation for the year showed an increase of 616, and that the total was the second highest in the history of the Supreme Grand Chapter.

Dundee's Black Watch. Fair Visitor, after having been shown over our museum, said: "And where do you keep your sea-dogs? I supply love animals."

Dundee battalion of the Black Watch, who has been two years at the front and has seen some heavy fighting. Two years! he exclaims. It's a fair-sized slice of a man's life. For every ten days I have lived, I have spent one at the front. Many a General of old time who won fame saw less fighting than my comrades and I. The silver frost of age has yet to descend upon my locks, but may I not proudly regard myself as a veteran?

Yet he confesses that he finds it a dull war. We have guarded prisoners, he says, we have done every kind of manual labour, we have been loaded like camels, and we have performed all the wearisome jobs of an infantryman—yes, it's a dull war. People who get a shilling's worth of excitement watching the Somme battle film unfold its vivid tale of terror and triumph may think it rather fine; but I assure you war ain't what it's cracked up to be. Somebody once said to a Dundee kilie, "Man, the life's great." The Scot replied, "Ay, the life's no' sue bud; the deaths I dinna care for."

It is quite in the order of things that "W.L.A." should be proud that he belongs to the Black Watch, but, like every true soldier, he is equally proud of his particular company. No Roman was prouder to belong to the Tenth Legion, he declares, than we were to be of Captain Leslie Basse's old G. Company. "What though jealousy, nicknamed as the Butchervallus, from our luxurious habits, or 'Bosse's Babies'?" "I never thought youse lads wad stick it like us old soldiers," said a kindly old A Company man to me a little time ago: "but you stuck it well." He himself, I may say, stuck the trenches for a week, and then went down the line to a staff job at a laundry.

Will the day ever come, moralises the writer, when we survivors gather together at the Pink Palace and honour "Absent Ones"? Perhaps not. We Scotsmen are afraid of sentimentalism. After the war we shall probably walk our old ways and rarely leave them to seek old comrades of Flanders and the Somme. But still in our hearts there will be proud memories of "old G."

"Boys," said Pat Stirton on the Ed Basse road a little while before he was killed, "if ever I'm knocked out, don't bury me by the road, for if you do I'll hear the boys go by to the trenches, and I'll be sore with grief that I can't come with you."

"War has its compensations, and I like doing my bit, and the Black Watch is a very fine regiment. Still, strictly in confidence, I don't mind telling you that Dundee is so attractive in all its aspects, so hospitable and so friendly, that I have quite a home sickness for the kindly town. Two years, he concludes: it makes a difference."

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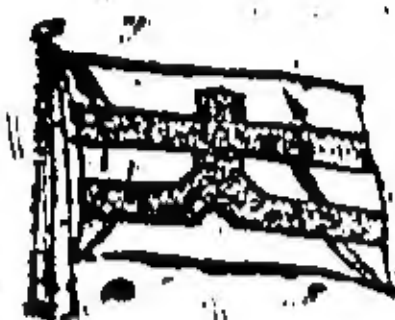
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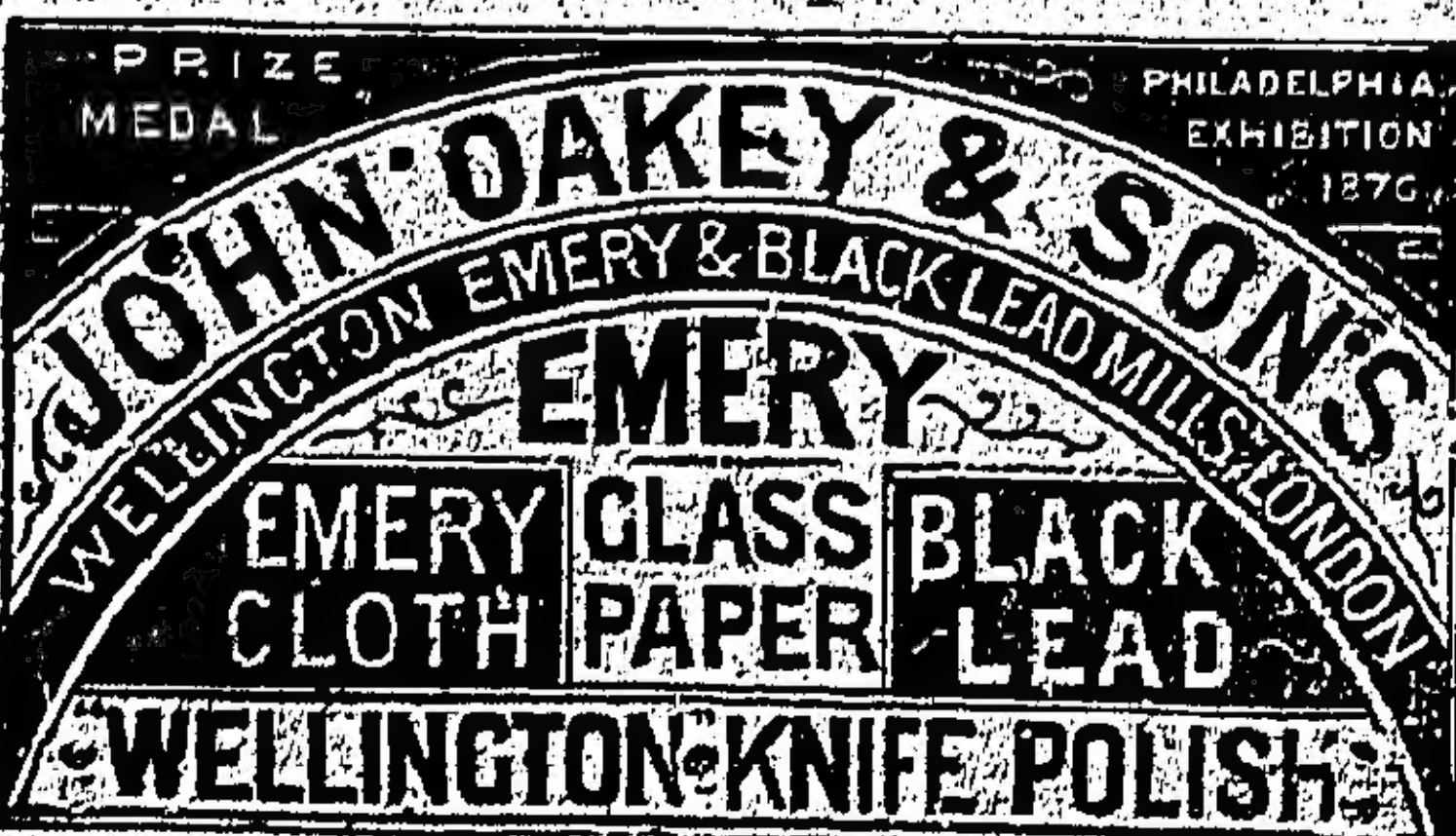
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Silver (per oz.) ... 38.9/16

Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 17 1/2 nom.

Chinese Copper Cash ... 7 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cents ... 7 1/2 p.m.

Rate of Native Interest ... 8 1/2 p.m.

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Hongkong, April 18, 1917.

On London: Bank Wire ... 2/4

" On demand ... 2/4 5/16

" 30 days sight ... 2/4 5/16

" 4 months sight ... 2/4 9/16

Credit, 4 months sight ... 2/4 9/16

Documentary, 4 months sight ... 2/4 9/16

On Paris: On demand ... 32 1/2

Credit, 4 months sight ... 32 1/2

On New York: On demand ... 56 1/2

Credit, 60 days sight ... 56 1/2

On Bombay: On demand ... nom.

On Calcutta: On demand ... nom.

On Singapore: On demand ... 100 1/2

On Manila: On demand ... 112

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## FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

## CHAIRS.

I.—In Victoria with two Bearers.

Quarter hour ... 10 cents.  
Half hour ... 20  
One hour ... 30  
Two hours ... 50  
Three hours ... 70  
Six hours ... 1.00  
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, City fare extra.

Between the hours of 3.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour ... 0.60 cents.  
Three hours ... 1.00  
Six hours ... 1.50  
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 2.00

III.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearers With 3 Bearers.

Quarter hour ... 10 cents.  
Half hour ... 20  
One hour ... 30  
Two hours ... 50  
Three hours ... 70  
Six hours ... 1.00  
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 1.50

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong if engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes ... 5 cents.  
Quarter hour ... 10  
Half hour ... 15  
One hour ... 20  
Every subsequent hour ... 20

Note.—If the ricksha be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be charged to the East of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour ... 5 cents.  
Half hour ... 10  
One hour ... 15  
Every subsequent hour ... 10

III.—Taipei Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the hire is for the journey to take longer than —

To 4th mile—single ... 75 cents. 1 hour.  
return ... 1.00. 2 hours.

Beyond 4th to 6th mile—single ... 1.10. 3 hours.  
return ... 1.20. 4

Beyond 6th to 8th mile—single ... 1.15. 5  
return ... 1.20. 5

Beyond 8th to 11th mile—single ... 1.20. 6  
return ... 1.25. 6

Fares for journeys beyond the 11th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out to apply to one ricksha with three coolies from Tsai Sha Tsui.

FARES FOR PUBLIC CARRIAGES.

Not exceeding 10 passengers.

From Slaughter House to Sailors' Home ... 04 cents.

From Sailors' Home to Government Civil Hospital ... 04.

From Government Civil Hospital to Clock Tower ... 04

From Clock Tower to Race Course ... 10

From Clock Tower to Bay View House ... 12

From Wanchai Market to Bay View House ... 08

From Bay View House to Quarry Bay ... 08

II.—In the City of Victoria.

Not exceeding 10 passengers.

Quarter hour ... 10 cents.  
Half hour ... 20  
One hour ... 30  
Two hours ... 50  
Three ... 70  
Four ... 90  
Five ... 1.00  
Six ... 1.10  
One day from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 1.25

III.—Beyond Victoria.

Not exceeding 10 passengers.

One hour ... 25 cents.  
Two hours ... 45  
Three ... 75  
Four ... 95  
Five ... 1.15  
Six ... 1.35  
One day from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 1.50

If a vehicle is discharged beyond the limits of the City of Victoria half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey.

IV.—In Kowloon.

Not exceeding 10 passengers.

Quarter hour ... 10  
Half hour ... 20  
One hour ... 30  
Two hours ... 50  
Three ... 70  
Four ... 90  
Five ... 1.00  
Six ... 1.10  
One day from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 1.20

Between the hours of 6.20 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 10 per centum.

Temperature.

Hongkong, April 18, 1917.

Barometer 9 A.M. ... 29.88

Do. 1 P.M. ... 29.83

Do. 4 P.M. ... 29.81

Thermometer 9 A.M. ... 70

Do. 1 P.M. ... 73

Do. 4 P.M. ... 72

Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 68

Do. (Wet bulb) 1 P.M. ... 68

Do. (Wet bulb) 4 P.M. ... 68

Do. Maximum ... 72

Do. Minimum (over night) ... 67

## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 18th at 12.10 — Pressure has increased moderately over Japan and the Bonins, and slightly over the Loo-Chooes, the Philippines, and Annam; it has decreased slightly along the east coast of China and over Formosa.

The anticyclone continues to move eastward; it is now central over South Japan. The depression is still shown to the N.E. of Hakodate, while an irregular and shallow area of low pressure extends from Tournai to the south Formosa.

Moderate south-easterly winds will prevail over the north part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.30 inch. Total since January 1st, 7.20 inches, against an average of 8.86 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 19th April:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: E. and S.E. winds, moderate; cloudy, mist or drizzling rain.

2.—Formosa Channel: The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamcocks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong to Hainan: The same as No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN APRIL.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of April, 1917:—

Date. Ends. Begins.

April 18th ... 3.50 a.m. ... 8.54 p.m.

" 19th ... 3.49 " ... 8.53 "

" 20th ... 3.48 " ... 8.52 "

" 21st ... 3.47 " ... 8.51 "

" 22nd ... 3.47 " ... 8.51 "

" 23rd ... 3.46 " ... 8.50 "

" 24th ... 3.45 " ... 8.49 "

" 25th ... 3.44 " ... 8.48 "

" 26th ... 3.43 " ... 8.47 "

" 27th ... 3.43 " ... 8.46 "

" 28th ... 3.43 " ... 8.46 "

" 29th ... 3.41 " ... 8.50 "

" 30th ... 3.41 " ... 8.50 "

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APRIL 18, 1917.—a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer at Sea Level. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

Wilstock ... 5.9. 59.90 35 " " " " " " " "

Memuro ... 5.9. 59.48 " " " " " " " "

Hakodate ... 5.9. 59.88 " " " " " " " "

Tokio ... 5.9. 59.91 " " " " " " " "

Kobe ... 5.9. 59.91 " " " " " " " "

Kagoshima ... 5.9. 59.94 " " " " " " " "

Oshima ... 5.9. 59.93 " " " " " " " "

Naha ... 5.9. 59.95 " " " " " " " "